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AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111

Sir:

In reply to the Official Action dated March 11, 2002, for which a three (3) month extension of time is requested, making the deadline for reply September 11, 2002, please amend the application as follows.

In The Claims:

72. (Amended) A polymer blend of at least three copolymers consisting essentially of:
20 to 85 weight percent of a first polymer having a melting point of 80 to 98°C
comprising at least one copolymer of ethylene and hexene-1;

5 to 35 weight percent of a second polymer having a melting point of 115 to 128°C
comprising at least one copolymer of ethylene and at least one α -olefin; and

10 to 50 weight percent of a third polymer having a melting point of 60 to 110°C
comprising at least one copolymer of ethylene and a vinyl ester or an alkyl acrylate; wherein said first and second polymers have a combined weight percentage of at least 50 weight percent, said weight percentage being based upon the total weight of said first, second and third polymers.

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